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Dan A. STEINBERG et al)	Group Art Unit: 2874
Application No: 09/966,973)	Examiner: Jennifer Doan
Filed: September 28, 2001)	Confirmation No: 5813
FOR: OPTICAL DEVICE PACKAGE)	

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Official Action mailed September 8, 2004, applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject matter identified in caption, in light of the remarks which follow, are respectfully requested.

As correctly noted in the Office Action Summary, claims 1-22 are pending in the application.

Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 15-22.

Applicants further thank the Examiner for her time and consideration during the telephonic interview on November 17, 2005. During the interview, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) based on Yoshida et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,632,027) and §103(a) based on Yoshida et al and Shuto et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,585,426) were discussed. The arguments presented during the interview are set forth below. The Examiner agreed to consider these arguments upon receipt of the present paper.